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Ms. Marlene Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W., Room TW-A325
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: *Ex Parte* Presentation
WT Docket No. 03-103; “Air-Ground Telecommunications Services”**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On November 16, 2005, Leslie Owsley, Assistant General Counsel for Verizon, Michael Senkowski and Gregg Elias, both of Wiley, Rein & Fielding and counsel to Airfone, and the undersigned met with Fred Campbell, legal advisor to Chairman Martin, to discuss the above-captioned proceeding.

In this meeting, we stressed the importance of the Commission finalizing its Air-Ground rules and moving to an auction as quickly as possible. In particular, we noted that the clock has already started on Airfone’s five-year license term. Under the best of circumstances, Airfone will have less than four years after the auction is concluded to complete its transition to broadband. The uncertainty associated with the negotiations of effective cross-border agreements with Canada and Mexico could shorten that timeframe even further. As a result, the Commission should conclude its proceeding promptly.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission’s Rules, an electronic copy of this letter is being filed for inclusion in the above-referenced docket.

Sincerely,

/s/ Donald C. Brittingham
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cc: Fred Campbell